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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2141

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Doolittle et al. Confirmation No.: 6901
Serial No.: 09/443,202 Group Art Unit: 2141
Filed: 11/18/99 Examiner: Stephan F. Willett
Title: METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR MANAGING
THREAD POOLS OF A COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT TO AVOID
DEADLOCK SITUATIONS

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Supplemental Amendment After Final

Dear Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment is submitted pursuant to the Examiner's request made during telephone interviews between Examiner Willett and Applicants' undersigned attorney on December 23, 2004, and December 21, 2004, regarding the above-designated application. During these interviews, the Examiner verbally indicated that these claim Amendments place all claims in condition for allowance. Should, however, the Examiner entertain any reservations concerning the allowability of one or more claims, Applicants request that this Amendment not be entered, and that the application be allowed to continue in the Appeal process.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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